

Nantong report

8 foreign friends experienced underground railway line No.1

By He Jiayu

Early in the morning, on 9 December, 8 foreign friends from countries including South Africa, Britain and Russia, went to Century Avenue station of underground railway line No.1 in the rain, took the underground railway and visited the hall of the station together, experienced the rapid development and cultural background of Nantong.

On that day, it was South African young man Arthur Luo's second time to take Nantong underground railway, '5 years ago when I just came to Nantong, there was only 1 railway station in Nantong. Now there is a new high speed railway station, it is very convenient to go to any places. And there is the underground railway.' Arthur Luo is working as an English teacher in a school in Haimen. He said that he had seen the development and future planning of Nantong in the past few years, and felt that it was 'awesome', 'I will stay in China in the future, teach English or do trade. I am very optimistic about its future here.'

'In the past few years, the traffic pattern of Nantong has changed a lot. It is very convenient for business trip to Shanghai by train.' Japanese Kondoh Tetsuya from Bank of Nagoya has worked in Nan-

tong since 2000. After underground railway line No.1 was open, he bought a monthly pass, and started to enjoy trips

'without worries about traffic jam'. He made an underground railway travel guide in Japanese also, 'compared with

underground railway in Japan, the security check of Nantong underground railway is more strict and it is safer to take.'



600 thousand antibacterial ticket cards in use in metro line 1

By Jiang Jiaojiao

As rail transit line No.1 was open for preliminary operation, the 1st batch of 600 thousand antibacterial single trip tickets were in use officially.

Compared with traditional recycled tickets and

cards, with physical disinfection technology which has been applied in industries including medical and health, water treatment and textile, special antibacterial material was added on surfaces of tickets, special antibacterial single trip tickets have ob-

vious antibacterial and bacteriostatic effects. The antibacterial material selected will not affect the original functions of single trip tickets, and it has restraining and killing effects on hundreds of pathogenic microorganisms including escherichia coli and staphylococcus aureus.

Created several world records in TBM construction field 'Changtong' tunnel boring machine cutter head was lifted out of the well

By Zhu Huibin and Peng Junjun

The cutter head of 'Changtong' TBM which started from Nantong and completed 'the longest tunnel of Yangtze River' crossing task, was lifted out of the well after it 'exited the hole' at Yaojiatan, Changshu economic development district at about 10 am 7 December. In the past more than 1 years, it went day and night, completed the 10 thousand meters 'marathon at the bottom of the Yangtze River' at the speed of sprint.

'The longest tunnel of the Yangtze River' — China Russia East Gas Pipeline Yangtze River TBM Crossing Project is a 'throat' project of China Russia east gas pipeline and a major control project of east line south section. It is an inevitable passage of natural gas from Russia to Shanghai, and also the only passage for coastal natural gas pipeline to cross the Yangtze River in planning of Jiangsu.

The project is the oil and



gas pipeline TBM cross river project of longest boring length, largest embedment depth, highest water pressure, largest diameter and most complicated construction environment in oil and gas single direction TBM boring field in the world up to now. It is also the first long distance, and longest blind heading underwater tunnel in China. 'Changtong' TBM, made by China Railway Tunnel Group specially for this project, is the normal pressure cutter head tunnel boring machine of smallest diameter in the world researched and manufactured by our state independently.

Achieved a breakthrough Two unicorn enterprises in Nantong

By Wang Weili

On 9 December, Jiangsu unicorn enterprise, high-tech zone unicorn enterprise and gazelle enterprise evaluation result was published. 26 Jiangsu enterprises were shortlisted in 2022 unicorn enterprise. ETA Semiconductor Limited and Thousand Oaks (Nantong) Co., Ltd. were among them, which achieved a breakthrough of Nantong unicorn enterprises. Apart from that, 8 Nantong enterprises were shortlisted in potential unicorn enterprises, 16 enterpris-

es were shortlisted in high-tech zone gazelle enterprises.

Unicorn enterprises refer to high growth innovative enterprises which have been founded for less than 10 years, whose values of assessments are more than 1 billion U.S. dollars, which got private equity investment and which are not listed yet. It is wind vane of new economy development. These enterprises have unique innovative core technology, innovative products or services, disruptive business models, and have fast growth speed and large development potential.

Rugao resident Chen Shi piloted a plane to escort landing of re-entry module of 'Shenzhou XIV'



By Chen Jiayi

On 4 December, re-entry module of Shenzhou XIV manned spacecraft was landed safely at Dongfeng landing site. The commander of the air rescue task of re-entry module was still Rugao resident Chen Shi. It was his 11th

time to participate space mission rescue. It was also the most difficult air search and rescue in China's aerospace history.

At about 20 o'clock, a red and white parachute was falling slowly in the sky above wild Gobi, re-entry module attached to it was falling slowly. Air search and rescue team led by Chen Shi locked the position of the re-entry module at

once, and sent message to ground rescue team, and escorted the landing of the re-entry module.

At 20:09, the re-entry module settled on Gobi desert. 3 astronauts exited the cabin successfully. The most difficult air search and rescue work in history was completed successfully. Air search and rescue team won precious time for

rapid and safe exit of our astronauts again.

'We are fully up to the trust of our country and people, we get astronauts back to motherland safely and warmly.' Chen Shi, who piloted a plane himself in air search and rescue work, could not resist the excitement. Although the temperature was -15 °C at that time, his heart was full of warmth.

63 Nantong foreign trade enterprises went to Japan to participate in AFF textile and garments exhibition

By Huang Kai and Liu Lu

On 7 December, 105 people from 63 Nantong foreign trade enterprises went to Tokyo, Japan, to participate in AFF textile and garments exhibition.

Japan is a traditional market which is important to Nantong. It has large de-

mands for textile and garments. AFF Asia fashion fair has been held for 20 years. It is the largest textile and garments professional exhibition held by our country overseas. It is also one of the major purchasing platforms for Japanese professional purchasers. The fair will last 3 days. In total 435 enterprises will participate. The number of

exhibition booths is 527, which has recovered to the level before the pandemic.

Yang Hongmei, general manager of Nantong Dongzhi international trade Co., Ltd., said that what the enterprise needed most were orders. The government's organization reduced the cost of fair participation for enterprises and provided a lot of opportuni-

ties to contact clients. She was very confident about obtaining new orders and have new clients during the fair.

Since November, Nantong bureau of commerce has organized enterprises to participate several overseas international exhibitions including ISPO Munich and China Clothing Textile Accessories Expo.



A few days ago, at the 101th anniversary of the establishment of Nantong Tianshenggang Power Generation Co., Ltd., Tianshenggang Zhang Jian cultural square Zhang Jian statue completion and unveiling ceremony was held.

Photo by Liu Lu